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APPLICANTS	:	MANFRED T. REETZ ET AL.	COPY OF PAPERS ORIGINALLY FILED
SERIAL NO.	:	09/463,494	
FILED	:	July 25, 2000	#18
FOR	:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING AND IDENTIFYING NEW HYDROLASES HAVING IMPROVED PROPERTIES	H.G.J
ART UNIT	:	1652	9/5/02
EXAMINER	:	C. Patterson, Jr.	

August 13, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

SIR:

This is a petition to extend the period of time two months for responding to the  
Communication dated May 13, 2002.

Applicant is a small entity.

A Preliminary Amendment/Response is filed herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date indicated below:

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